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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1643

Examiner: R. Zeman

Atty. Dkt. No.: INNS:011---/KAM

Serial No.: 09/297,981

Filed: May 10, 1999

For: METHYLATED, SMD HOMOLOGOUS  
PEPTIDES, REACTIVE WITH THE  
ANTIBODIES FROM SERA OF LIVING  
BEINGS AFFECTED WITH SYSTEMIC  
LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 21, 2000

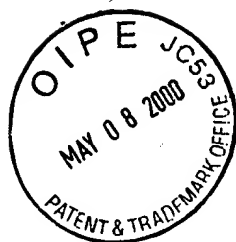
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2000, for which the date for response is May 21, 2000.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Arnold White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/INNS:011---/KAM.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.



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